Request for Nominations Department of the Interior 2005 Safety Awards

Office of Occupational Health & Safety DOI Safety and Occupational Health Council

Nominations are being requested for two prestigious Departmental safety awards, the Award of Merit and the Professional Service Award. Nominations should be submitted to Linda Rowley, the Chairperson of the Department of the Interior Safety and Occupational Health Council no later than January 31, 2005. Awards will be announced during the DOI Safety & Health Awareness Week, which will be April 4-8, 2005.

These safety awards recognize safety and health program contributions that are of significant benefit the Department of the Interior. Subject areas for award recognition include: accident and injury reduction; fostering a safety and health culture; identification and abatement of unsafe conditions; providing safety and health resources; encouraging safety program accountability; and promoting safety and health awareness. Other safety and health subjects will be considered, based on the professional judgment of the Department of the Interior Safety and Occupational Health Council.

The Award of Merit is given to an individual, group, bureau, office, or organizational unit which has performed an outstanding service for or made a contribution of unusual value to the Department's Safety and Occupational Health Program based on the previously described recognition areas. The Professional Service Award is given to a safety or health professional who has contributed quality service to his/her bureau, office, or the Department of the Interior during his/her career.

Nomination forms and guidelines are attached. To receive consideration, nominations must be submitted by Bureau/Office Safety Managers no later than January 31,2005. The nomination forms must include full contact information for the nominee and his/her supervisor. Each submission must be accompanied by endorsement of the nomination from the head of the bureau or office.

If you have questions regarding the awards or the nomination process, please contact your Bureau Safety Manager or Bob Garbe, Office of Occupational Health and Safety, 303-236-7128 ext 230.